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September 29, 2004

To Whom It May Concern:

This is a letter of appeal. Comanche Indep School District received a FCDL for Erate Year 2004. The FCDL is dated April 17, 2004. In our FCDL we were unfunded or denied for the following service:

471 Application Number: 403727

Billed Entity Name: Comanche Indep School District **Billed entity number:** 141007
FRN: 1105314

SPIN: 143022965 **Service Provider Name:** Cabling and Wireless Solutions of Texas

Provider Contract Number: CWSY7AP

Services Ordered: Internal Connections

Pre-discount Cost: \$17,032.50

Funding Commitment Decision: \$0.00 – Ineligible use(s)

Funding Commitment Decision Explanation: The Wireless Access Points requested are being used in a WAN, which is not in accordance with program rules.

Prior to an appeal to the SLD, Comanche ISD's contact person, Vickey Cavitt, was contacted in an email concerning the use of the access points requested in this application. Her response to the question "are the access points going to be used in a WAN or LAN" was not specific enough to let the SLD know how the access points were to be used. She is not a network person. She did not know the difference between a LAN and a WAN as defined by the SLD. Yes, the access points are going to be used "throughout the WAN" as she stated but only inside buildings and not between buildings. It was a miscommunication on her part to the question due to lack of understanding of Erate's definition of a WAN and a LAN.

The 30 Access Points requested will be located inside the high school building and inside the junior high school building. These access points are to provide flexible access to the network for students, teachers, librarians, and other staff. The access points will also provide a connection to the network for portable laptops and other devices. Access points will be used to increase availability of the network in places where network drops are inoperable or are not available in sufficient quantity. These access points are "an essential element in the transmission of information within the school." NONE of the access points requested will be used to connect buildings to other buildings in the local area network. They will be used in a LAN (not a WAN) environment.

See building diagrams included in the documentation for this appeal. *

High School access points:

There will be access points in each student hallway at the high school (12 needed).

There will be access points in the library (2), student commons area/classroom (4), existing classrooms (6), one in counselor station area (1), and one in the new distance learning classroom (1).

Junior High School access points:

There will be access points in the library (1) and student commons area/classroom (3).

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Here is the contact information for the person who can most readily discuss this appeal with you:

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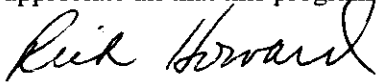
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We hope that you carefully consider this appeal and that this service meets the program rules so that students and staff can benefit. Thanks for your time and effort in working with schools and libraries. We appreciate all that this program has done for us.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rick Howard".

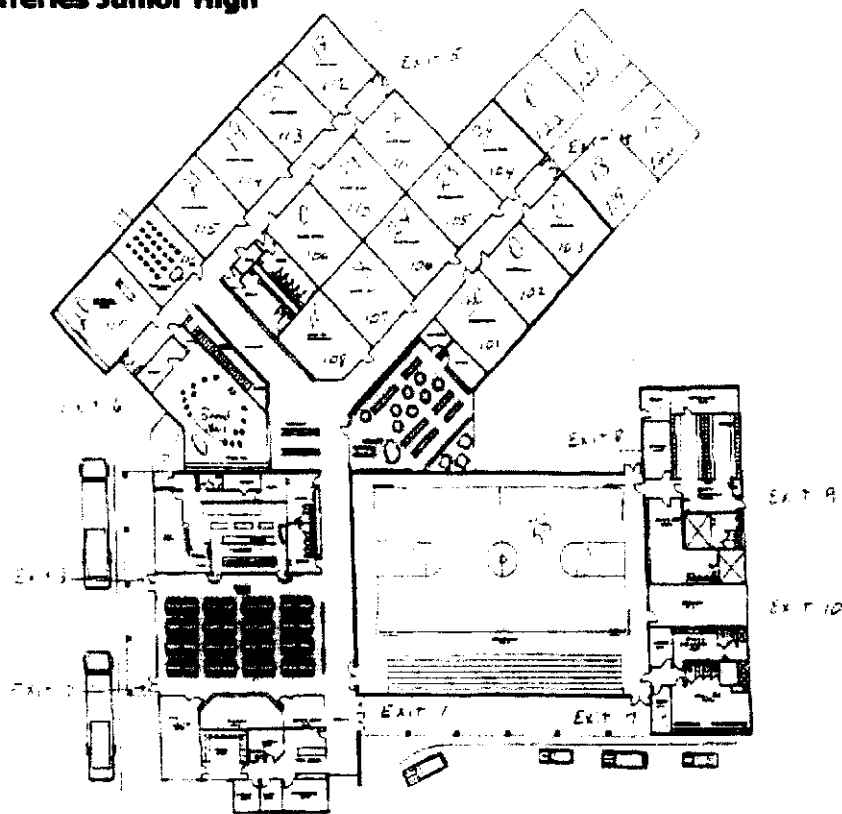
Rick Howard, Authorized Person

Superintendent of Schools

Comanche ISD

* See diagrams included in this appeal.

H. R. Jefferies Junior High



There will be access points in the library (1) and student commons areas/classroom (3).

FLOOR PLAN

H.R. Jefferies Junior High School

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Comanche High School

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